

CITY HALL
101 South Blvd.
608.355.2700
www.cityofbaraboo.com



Fall /Winter 2022-2023



General Election Tuesday, November 8, 2022



ALL City of Baraboo residents vote at the Civic Center, 124 2nd Street.

(For your convenience, please enter at the 1st Street entrance).

Polls are open from 7AM to 8PM.

Please remember to bring your Photo ID.

In-person absentee voting for the General Election will be offered at City Hall, 101 South Blvd. beginning Tuesday, October 25 through Thursday, November 3 from 8AM to 4:30PM and on Friday, November 4 from 8AM to 5PM. Please park in the upper parking lot and use the City Hall entrance on Lynn St.

If you wish to have an Absentee Ballot mailed to you, registered voters can visit myvote.wi.gov or print the Absentee Request from the City Clerk's page www.cityofbaraboo.com/clerk. Registered voters have until 5PM on November 3 to request an absentee ballot. However, we recommend making your request as early as possible to allow adequate time for mailing. Completed absentee applications can be returned to the Clerk's office either by mail or email. **Please note: Ballots may be returned to City Hall in person during business hours. Ballots placed in the night deposit (drop box) will NOT be counted.**

If you need to update your name or address, or are a new Wisconsin voter, you will need to register. If you have a current Wisconsin Driver License or State ID, you can register to vote online at myvote.wi.gov.

The Voter Registration Form can be found on the City's website. If you return your registration form by mail, please remember to include a copy of your valid form of proof of residency. A list of forms for proof of residence can be found on the back of the Voter Registration Form. **In order to register for the General Election, all voter registrations after October 19 must be done in person at the City Clerk's office or at the polls on Election Day.** Voter registration in the Clerk's Office will end at 5PM on Friday, November 4. Call the City Clerk's Office with questions at 355-2700.

Nursing Home Visits will be held Monday, October 17 to Wednesday, October 19. Please call City Hall for times and locations.

REMINDERS

Alternate Side Parking

October 1, 2022 to April 15, 2023

Property Taxes-1st Installment

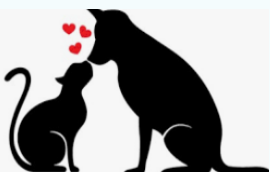
Due January 31, 2023

License Your Pets!

If you haven't licensed your pet, please do so by January 1, 2023.

Rabies certificate is required.

Online Registration form can be found on the City's website under "Resident" tab.



2023 CALENDAR

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From the Mayor's desk

In case you haven't noticed, big changes are underway in Baraboo. Several new housing developments are under construction, with a variety of other retail, commercial, and residential projects in the planning stages.

Managing this burst of growth is a special challenge. On the one hand, new development may provide additional revenue to offset some of the \$800,000 budget deficit we are facing in 2023 and beyond. On the other hand, we also need to be careful not to sacrifice the small-town qualities that make Baraboo special upon the altar of growth.

That's where you come in. Good decision-making requires input from a wide variety of sources, not just a handful of elected officials and staff. Contact information for alderpersons is included on page 4 of this newsletter, and I'd encourage you to contact them (and me) with your thoughts and perspectives. No one has a monopoly on good ideas, and even if the Council and I ultimately disagree with your viewpoint, it's still important for us to hear and understand it.

As our media landscape has become more fractured, it's a growing challenge to make sure that City news reaches the public. Trying to repair that disconnect is flagged as a high priority in our recently-completed Strategic Plan. To that end, I hope you'll avail yourself of some of the resources available at www.cityofbaraboo.com. In particular, I'd steer you towards the "Meeting Calendar" function under the "Government" tab, where you can find the agendas and minutes of Council, committee, and commission meetings. We recently revamped this feature to work better on mobile devices.

I also plan to keep my pencil sharp with occasional blog posts highlighting Council actions and what deliberations are working their way through City Hall. You can find these updates at www.baraboomayor.com. Thanks for your vision of Baraboo's future, and I look forward to hearing from you!

-Rob Nelson, Mayor

Recycling (& Refuse) will be picked up on highlighted weeks.

City offices will be closed on the dates in red.

BRUSH will be picked up during the weeks outlined with green borders. Brush needs to be placed for collection on the treebank by 7 AM on Monday morning of each of those weeks.

Visit www.cityofbaraboo.com, or call 355-2730 for pickup dates.

**Alternate side parking is in effect October 1st through April 15th, from midnight until 3:00 PM.
For further details, visit www.cityofbaraboo.com.**

GARBAGE/RECYCLING HOLIDAY PICKUP

2022

REGULAR PICK-UP DAY	HOLIDAY PICK-UP DAY
Thursday, November 24, 2022	Monday, November 28, 2022
Friday, November 25, 2022	Tuesday, November 29, 2022
Friday, December 23, 2022	Tuesday, December 27, 2022
Monday, December 26, 2022	Wednesday, December 28, 2022
HIGHLIGHTED DATES INDICATE A RECYCLING WEEK	



2023	
REGULAR PICK-UP DAY	HOLIDAY PICK-UP DAY
Monday January 2, 2023	Tuesday, January 3, 2023
Monday, January 16, 2023	Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Friday, April 7, 2023	Monday, April 10, 2023
Monday, May 29, 2023	Tuesday, May 30, 2023
Tuesday, July 4, 2023	Wednesday, July 5, 2023
Monday, September 4, 2023	Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Thursday, November 23, 2023	Monday, November 27, 2023
Friday, November 24, 2023	Tuesday, November 28, 2023
Monday, December 25, 2023	Wednesday, December 27, 2023
Tuesday, December 26, 2023	Thursday, December 28, 2023
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ATTENTION

FOR THE STAFF/PUBLIC SAFETY AND EFFICIENCY OF OUR OPERATIONS, ALL REFUSE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIAL PLACED FOR COLLECTION BY THE CITY OF BARABOO MUST BE PLACED INSIDE DESIGNATED CART(S).

ITEMS PLACED OUTSIDE CARTS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.

Employment Information: Applications for full time, part time, and seasonal city positions are accepted online only. To apply visit www.cityofbaraboo.com, select Government tab, and follow directions on the Employment Opportunities page.

If you routinely have extra materials, you may upgrade your cart size or purchase additional carts by calling 355-2730 or on-line at

www.cityofbaraboo.com.

GREEN cart is for recyclable materials. Recyclable materials must be placed loose in cart—**no plastic bags allowed in your recycling cart.**

BLUE cart is for household refuse. **At no time may recyclable materials be placed in refuse cart.**

Carts are to be placed on the tree bank or driveway entrance. Not in the street.

Carts may be placed curb/alley side after 3:00PM the day before your scheduled pickup. Carts must be removed from curb/alley side once emptied.

* You must leave at least 3 feet of space on all four sides of your cart(s). Carts without 3 feet of spacing on all four sides will not be emptied.

City Hall Accepts Debit/Credit Cards

debit/credit cards can be used for the following:

- * Garbage/Recycling Carts
 - * Parking Tickets
 - * Water Bills (or pay by phone 877-885-7968)
 - * Pet Licenses
 - * License & Permit Fees
 - * City Invoices
- (Convenience fee up to 2.75% applies)

EXCEPTION:

Property taxes cannot be paid with debit/credit cards

Did you Know...

City Hall which is located at 101 South Blvd. (across from St. Vincent de Paul) has a **drive-up window** and a **night deposit box**!

Both are located at the upper parking lot of City Hall (at the south-east corner of the building) on Lynn Street.

At the **drive-up window** you can pay taxes, water bills, and parking tickets. Also, during regular office hours you can request a recycling calendar, newsletter, or press the call button for other services.

At the **night deposit box** you can drop your payments in the slot. Envelopes are available. The night deposit box can be used anytime if you are making a non-cash payment and do not require a receipt.

Please DO NOT place absentee ballots in the night deposit box. These ballots will NOT be counted.



Back to School Safety Reminders

from the Baraboo Police Department:



Students are back in school and with all the children, adults, bicycles, and motor vehicles traveling to and from school, the need for safety is paramount. Here are some reminders during this time of the year:

- The City employs crossing guards at three different locations. (8th St. at Jefferson St., Camp St. at 8th St., and 9th St. at Draper St.) By state statute, crossing guards have the authority to stop traffic at marked school crossings. Failure to obey could result in a traffic citation being issued in the amount of \$213.10.
- There is a lot of congestion at schools before and after school. Please be aware of signs indicating speed limits and no parking areas.
- Please be patient, observant, and slow down while traveling in school areas.
- For more information regarding individual schools, visit the Baraboo School District website at baraboo.k12.wi.us/ Also, contact the Baraboo Police Department for further questions at 355-2720.

2022 Property Tax Bills will be mailed in mid-December. The first installment is due by 1/31/2023.

Payment should be made payable to the City of Baraboo and either brought to City Hall or mailed to City Treasurer at 101 South Blvd. Mailed payments must be postmarked no later than 1/31/2023. Taxes can be paid with cash, money order, or check. Payment can also be made online at www.cityofbaraboo.com from a bank account in the form of an electronic check for FREE. **Credit cards are not accepted.** If you have questions, please call the City Treasurer, Lori Laux at 355-2700.

All payments after 1/31/2023 should be mailed or taken to the Sauk County Treasurer, 505 Broadway.

If you wish to pay your taxes prior to the end of the year, office hours for December are:

OPEN Monday thru Friday 7:30AM-4:30PM

CLOSED Friday, December 23 & Monday, December 26

CLOSED Monday, January, 2 2023

Important Local Phone Numbers...

CITY OF BARABOO

Administrator...355-2715	Airport.....356-2270
Ambulance..Emergency..9-1-1 Non-Emergency.356-3455	
Assessor.....920-749-8098	Brush Pick Up....355-2730
Fire.....355-2710	Library.....356-6166
Mayor.....355-2715	Park & Rec.....355-2760
Community Development Authority....356-4822	

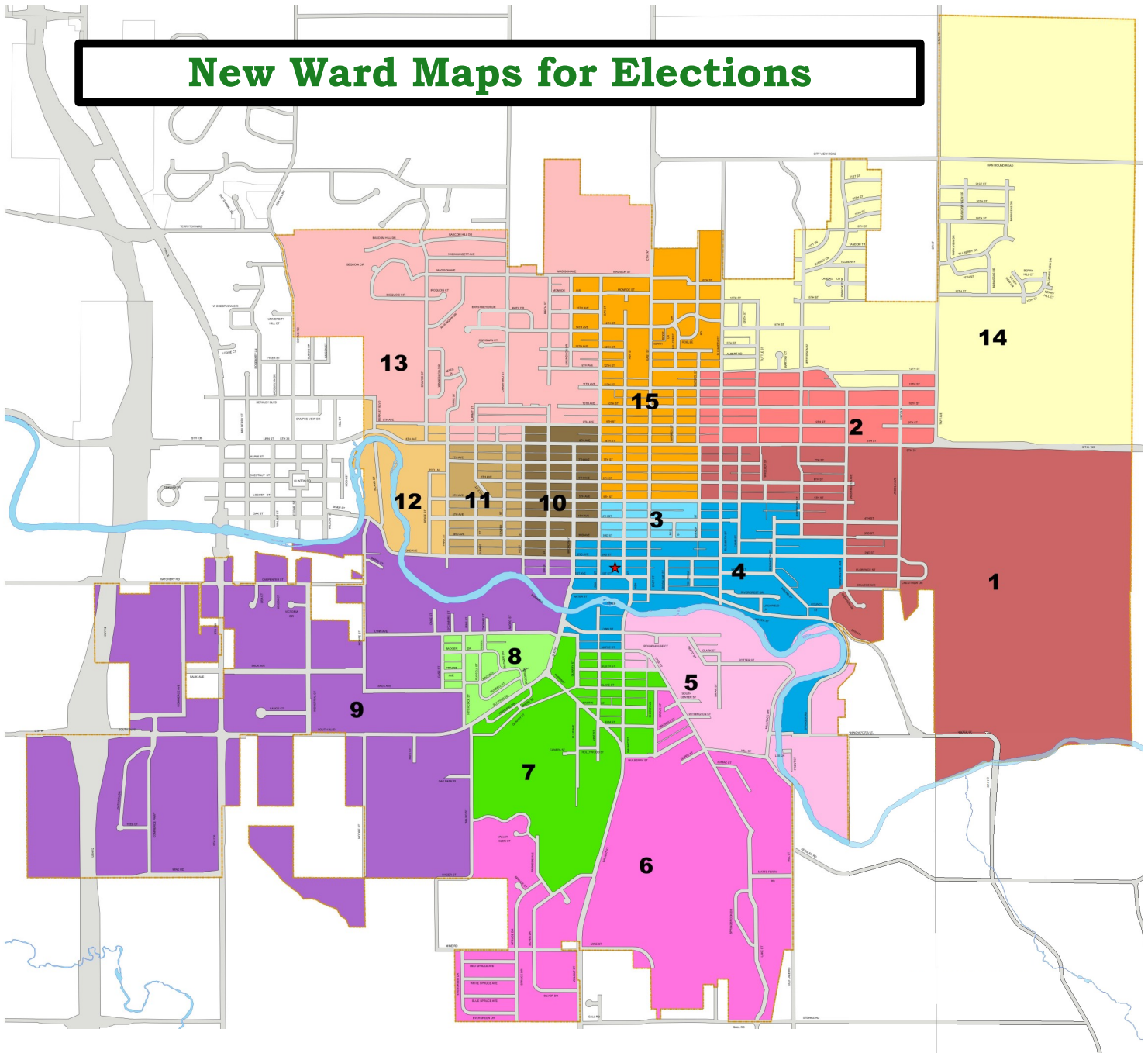
Police...Emergency.....9-1-1 Non-Emergency...355-2720

City Treasurer... 355-2700	Voting.....355-2700
Water Bills, Shut offs, Payment Arrangements.....355-2740	

SAUK COUNTY

Aging & Disability...355-3289	Child Support.....355-3238
Clerk of Court.....355-3287	County Clerk.....355-3286
District Attorney.....355-3280	Humane Society...356-2520
Planning & Zoning...355-3285	Register of Deeds.355-3288
Sheriff...Emergency...9-1-1 Non-Emergency...356-4895	
Treasurer.....355-3275	

New Ward Maps for Elections



As a result of the 2020 Census, new ward boundaries were drawn for the City of Baraboo.

Please note that your ward and elected representatives may have changed!

City Aldermanic	Ward	Aldersperson
1	1 & 2	Phil Wedekind—356-8147
2	3 & 4	Tom Kolb—356-6080
3	5 & 6	Bryant Hazard-963-6636
4	7 & 8	Jason Kent—393-9116
5	9	Joel Petty—477-5999
6	10, 11, & 12	John Ellington—963-2183
7	13	Scott Sloan—434-0196
8	14	Heather Kierzek—963-5095
9	15	Kathleen Thurow—356-7916

For a more detailed map, visit www.cityofbaraboo.com.

Aldermanic elections will be held in the spring of 2023 for District 1, 4, and 7.

Visit **www.myvote.wi.gov** to see who is on the ballot for your address.

All City residents vote at the Civic Center, 124 Second St. Polls are open from 7AM to 8PM. For an absentee ballot, contact the City Clerk at 608-355-2700.



When was the last time you checked your home's smoke alarms?

If your answer is *over a month ago*, then **go do it now!** Improvements in building codes and other safety and prevention advancements over the years have resulted in a reduced total number of home fires, BUT the nation is seeing an increase in the number of deaths per home fire.



Each year in the United States, fire kills more Americans than all natural disasters combined (United States Fire Administration). What's more, according to the National Fire Protection Association, three out of five home fire deaths happened in properties without working smoke alarms. The modern home is now made of lightweight construction and filled with contents made of plastic and other flammable materials, reducing the amount of time our families have to escape in a fire. What can you do to protect your family? Simply install and maintain working smoke alarms. If you have questions about how, where, or what types of smoke alarms to install in your home, call the Fire Department at 355-2710. We are here to help!

Baraboo Forestry News

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department manages over 7,000 street and park trees, protecting against diseases, planting to maintain a strong urban tree canopy, and removing limbs and trees that become hazardous. We also work with the state Department of Natural Resources to control invasive pests that spread rapidly through forested areas in the region.

One of those pests seen locally this year was the *Spongy Moth* (*Lymantria dispar*, formerly known as the Gypsy Moth). Due to drier weather last year, the entire region saw a larger than normal hatch in the spring which led to a noticeable "bumper crop" in many areas of the Midwest. We are told to expect similar conditions next year.

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection does some aerial spraying in parts of the state to help control the continued westward spread of this invasive pest. However, Sauk County is no longer the western boundary of the moth and more spraying activity has shifted west. The City is looking into future options to control additional local populations in City and street trees.

You can control Spongy Moth outbreaks on your own trees by destroying egg masses between October and April. UW Extension has good information found on their website at: fyi.extension.wisc.edu/spongymothinwisconsin/

Fall planting activities will begin soon and we continue the process of replacing over 100% of every tree we remove in the city to ensure our tree canopy will be here for generations to come.

More details on city forestry is available on the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department website or follow us on Facebook for instant notifications on all our news.

BE SALT WISE & DON'T OVER SALT!

The salt we use to treat our roadways, driveways, and sidewalks can be harmful to our waterways, so it's important to be mindful of how we use it.

Did you know that twelve ounces of salt—which is equivalent to filling a coffee mug—is enough to treat a 20-foot-long driveway or about 10 squares of sidewalk? Using more salt won't yield better results. If you see salt left on the ground after the snow and ice clears, you are using too much. Sweep up the excess salt and throw it away rather than allowing it to run off. Excess salt eventually finds its way into our soil and water supply.

After a snowfall, follow these tips from Wisconsin Salt Wise:

1. **Shovel:** Clear walkways and other areas before snow turns to ice. The more snow you can remove, the less salt you will have to use.
2. **Scatter:** If you use salt, scatter it so there is space between the grains.
3. **Switch:** When pavement temperatures drop below 15 degrees, salt becomes ineffective. Switch to sand for traction or to a different ice melt manufactured to work at lower temperatures.



BRUSH

THE CITY OF BARABOO BRIAR STREET BRUSH DROP-OFF SITE IS **CLOSED**. CITY OF BARABOO RESIDENTS MAY PLACE BRUSH CURBSIDE FOR MONTHLY BRUSH PICKUP.

Two brush pickup weeks are remaining for 2022, weeks of September 26 and October 24.

AT NO TIME MAY BRUSH BE PLACED IN THE BRIAR STREET YARD WASTE COMPOST SITE.

All brush must be placed on the treebank by 7:00 AM the Monday of the scheduled pickup week to be guaranteed a pickup. For the safety and efficiency of our brush cleanup process, brush must be stacked neatly with cut ends facing the same direction. Property owners not meeting these requirements may be required to re-stack the brush pile set out for pickup.

Whenever possible, make a few separate piles that are able to be picked up by a single person. Please stack brush in a location where it is accessible to Public Works crews, and does not impede vision of motorists or block pedestrian walkways. Please avoid stacking it close to fire hydrants and sign posts.

Monthly brush pickup is intended for typical residential yard cleanup and is not intended as a lot clearing or tree removal service. The City will NOT pick up brush that was placed by a contractor. Contractors are responsible for the disposal of tree waste that they generate.

Please do not mix leaves and other yard waste with brush to be picked up. Brush piles containing yard waste, trash, lumber, or other debris will not be picked up by City staff.

Yard waste can be dropped off at 407 Briar Street behind the old Public Works Facility.

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WOOD CHIPS & MULCH

When available, the City of Baraboo offers wood chips created by our brush pickup program at no cost. The City will provide loading for customers who choose to contract a hauler to haul wood chips in bulk. Customers doing so must schedule loading in advance with the Public Works Dept. Please call 608-355-7383 to schedule a pickup.

COMPOST

As part of our leaf pickup and yard waste recycling program, the City of Baraboo is able to create a compost product and offer it to City of Baraboo residents at no charge. **Proof of residency may be required prior to loading.** When available, the compost will be located near the leaf and yard waste disposal pile, to the left of the wood chip pile. We're sorry, bulk hauling or loading by City personnel is not available with compost.

Leaves & Yard Waste

Leaf pickup is scheduled to begin October 24 and continue until November 23. Leaves must be placed un-bagged on the treebank free of debris such as rocks, stumps, and other yard waste. During leaf cleanup, please be certain that leaves are accessible by keeping piles away from vehicles, trailers, trees, and signs. Leaves and brush must be placed separately for pickup. Comingled piles will not be picked up.

Collection will begin in Monday's refuse collection district. After completing collection in Monday's area, crews will move into the Tuesday district, then Wednesday's district, followed by Thursday's and then Friday's refuse collection districts. Upon completion of Friday's refuse district, crews will begin the cycle again in Monday's district. This rotation will continue until November 23.

This service is intended purely for leaf pick-up. Our leaf vacs are incapable of picking up yard waste such as potted plants and garden materials. Those materials must be dropped off at the City of Baraboo Compost Site located at 407 Briar Street behind the old Public Works Garage.

Curbside leaf collection only occurs during certain times in the Spring and Fall. During non-pickup times, residents may dispose of leaves at the City of Baraboo Compost Site. Leaves and yard waste must be free of trash and other foreign debris. If material is bagged, you must empty the contents on the appropriate pile and take the bags with you.

At no time may leaves, grass clippings, brush, or other yard waste be deposited on the street or alley. Not only does it impact ground and surface water quality, but it is also prohibited by Ordinance §8.15.



BARABOO FIRE DEPARTMENT
We are looking for potential firefighters to help fulfill our mission!
IS THAT YOU?
Self-Sacrifice · Teamwork
Physically Fit · Dedicated
Respect · Integrity · Prompt
Do you share these characteristics?
Do you want to join our team?



OUR MISSION:

Committed to providing professional fire prevention and emergency services.

Requirements for Hire

- ☐ Valid Driver License
- ☐ High School Diploma
- ☐ 18 Years of Age
- ☐ Pass Application Process
- ☐ Pass Physical Ability Test
- ☐ Pass Oral Interview
- ☐ Pass Background Check
- ☐ Commitment!

Training Requirements

- ☐ Entry Level Firefighter Class – 60 hours
- ☐ Hazardous Materials – Operations Level Training – 20 Hours
- ☐ Firefighter I Certification – 36 hours - Requires a written and practical State Certification Test

Training through MATC – Evenings and some weekends. We provide compensation, gear and transportation!

Please consider helping us fulfill our mission....it is rewarding!!

Apply at: www.cityofbaraboo.com – Any Questions Please Call 355-2710

Attridge Park Splashpad Update

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department received a \$308,000 grant to construct a splashpad and restroom facility in Attridge Park. The money will be awarded January 1, 2023 and allow us to begin construction on the project which began fundraising two years ago. All expenses to build the \$600,000 facility have been pursued through the matching grant and donations, so no tax dollars will be used to construct the facility.

The timeline for the opening is still in question due to the supply chain delays and availability of contractors, but we hope to have substantial completion by late 2023. The Friends of Baraboo Parks will continue accepting donations to complete fundraising in 2023 so we can continue to move forward with construction. More details and construction updates will be provided on our website and our Facebook page @BarabooParks.

Thank you to all our donors!



SHORT-TERM RENTAL PROCEDURES

The City is seeing a growing interest in the use of residential properties for short-term rental purposes that are advertised by Vrbo, Airbnb, FlipKey, or HomeAway, to name a few. Since the regulations vary dramatically from one community to the next, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with Baraboo's regulations to determine if a property is eligible for use as a Short-Term Rental Dwelling.

The zoning regulations are contained in Chapter 17 of the City's Code of Ordinances ([Section 17.13A, Short Term Rentals](#)). [Short-Term Rental Dwelling License Application](#) is available on our website. Please contact the City Engineer's Office at 608-355-2730 with any questions or concerns.

WINTER WEATHER SAFETY TIPS

Safe Winter Driving Tips:

- Plan ahead for inclement weather.
- Clear snow and ice from all windows and lights.
- Pay attention—avoid using electronic devices and other potential distractions.
- Leave plenty of room for stopping.
- Leave room for maintenance vehicles and plows. They are there to make your travel safer.
- Brake carefully. Do not pump anti-lock brakes!
- Don't use your cruise control in wintry conditions.
- Look farther ahead in traffic than you normally do.
- **Slow Down!**

Important Winter Information:

- It is illegal to shovel or blow snow into City streets and alleys. It can freeze and cause ice ridges which can be dangerous to fellow motorists, maintenance vehicles, and emergency vehicles. Snow may be stored on the treebank abutting your property or within the borders of your own private property.
- Every storm and forecast varies. The severity of the storm and the forecast will dictate how many times we plow a street and which de-icing or traction assistance materials are applied.

Winter Shoveling Tips:

- Pace yourself. Take breaks as you feel fatigued and stay hydrated.
- On larger snowstorms, shovel frequently throughout the storm rather than waiting until the storm is complete.
- If possible, wait until the street is plowed before shoveling the end of your driveway. This will help avoid the need to shovel the end twice.
- If you must shovel prior to the street being plowed, deposit the snow on the terrace "downstream" from your driveway so the snowplow does not carry snow back into your driveway.
- The City of Baraboo appreciates residents keeping fire hydrants clear and accessible during the winter.

Baraboo Civic Center & Recreation News - The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department manages the 50,000 square foot Civic Center, which includes meeting and special event rooms for rent for up to 100 people; a gymnasium for sports events or celebrations for up to 400 people; a fitness center with cardio equipment, strength training, wireless internet, and showers; and houses the Boys & Girls Club, Senior Center, and Stage III Theater for Youth. Reasonable rates available for room rental and fitness center memberships.

We have recreation activities for all ages including Youth Soccer, Youth Basketball, Youth Gymnastics, Punt Pass & Kick, Preschool Open Gym, and much more! Several Adult and Senior programs are offered as well, including our Senior Fitness classes, which host over 100 participants, Pickleball, and Volleyball leagues. Visit our webpage at baraboo.recdesk.com/Community/Home for complete details and to register online.

We are looking for creative and fun people to join our staff as instructors, coaches, and volunteers. We offer good pay and very flexible schedules in whatever area of interest you have! Like to work with kids? Teach seniors a new skill? Work outside? Contact the Director with your proposal and we'll find a place for you on our team.

Baraboo Transit-Shared Ride Service



The city is proud to provide residents with a low-cost transit option, called Baraboo Transit—*Shared Ride Service*. This service is available to everyone in need of transportation within the city and a 15-mile radius of the city limits.

The *Shared Ride Service* is not a traditional taxicab service in that rides must be scheduled in advance and the ride may be shared with one or more people. Federal and State grants allow the city to provide this low-cost service and require the *Shared Ride Service* to be administered in a particular way.

To schedule a ride, simply call **(608) 356-8300**. Payment options are cash, advanced fare coupons purchased at the City Hall, or prepaid fares on the Abby Vans smart phone app.

How is *Shared Ride Service* different from a traditional taxi service?

- * It is a requirement to call ahead to schedule a ride.
- * A half hour pick-up window is provided.
- * Anticipate sharing a ride with other passengers.

To ensure a pleasant and comfortable trip, here are some guidelines:

- * Be ready to go when the van arrives. The driver will only wait five (5) minutes.

When scheduling a ride, let the dispatcher know the following:

- * How many stops will be needed.
- * Are there more than four bags?
- * Is assistance needed entering or exiting the vehicle?
- * Is a service animal with you?
- * If you need to cancel a ride, let dispatch know as soon as possible.

More information concerning your rights, rules of conduct, safety, and complaints are available on the City's website: www.cityofbaraboo.com.



Alternate Side Parking begins Saturday, October 1 to Saturday, April 15, 2023

On the **even-numbered** days park on the **even house-numbered** side of the street between midnight and 3:00 p.m.

On the **odd-numbered** days park on the **odd house-numbered** side of the street between midnight and 3:00 p.m.

24 Hour Parking Regulations...Does that mean I can park in a space perpetually?

Frequently the Police Department receives calls from folks who wonder just exactly how long they can park in a 24-hour parking lot. There is a misconception that the 24-hour rule means they can park in the lots as long as they wish; this article should clear up any questions.

Ordinance 7.09(20) stipulates that “no person shall park, stop or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended,” for a continuous period longer than 24 hours in any City parking lot. Furthermore, parking between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. is prohibited in lots within City parks.

To summarize, parking in a 24-hour lot requires the operator of any vehicle to move the vehicle at least once every 24 hours. Please feel free to contact the Baraboo Police Department at 608-355-2720.



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LIBRARY NEWS

Building Construction Update: Construction is progressing on schedule for the new library addition. The structure of the new space clearly shows the future dimensions of the building. The structural steel beams are in place and the concrete slab has been poured. There is now a walkable surface on the second level and the roof is going up in parts. The old bench and landscaping to the west of the existing library building has been demolished. The construction crew is working hard to enclose the building before cold weather hits, so they'll be able to finish up the inside during the colder months. Our bathrooms are now on the lower level until we move into the new addition. Follow our updates on Facebook! We post live videos with construction updates most weeks. The library will remain open throughout the construction process. The completion date of the addition is expected in spring 2022, with the complete renovation finished for a grand re-opening in the fall of 2022!

Baraboo Newspaper Digitization: We have boxed up and shipped our microfilm of the Baraboo newspapers from 1855 through August 22, 2013 to *Newspapers.com* (owned by *Ancestry.com*) for a digitization project. We are working to get a portal set up for patrons to access the microfilm in the library. *Newspapers.com* is available through Badgerlink, so folks searching throughout the state can access our newspapers online. While the microfilm is being digitized, if you need specific microfilm, we can order it through the Wisconsin Historical Society. Thanks for your patience while we make these important resources more accessible!

Web and Mobile Printing: Library patrons love the convenience of web and mobile printing service with ePRINTit. You can access this service from home or on the road through our website or the following link: **tbs.eprintit.com/portal/#/ppl/upload/Baraboo**. Stop by the library and let us know you have a print job in the queue, and quickly receive your printouts. Call us at 608-356-6166 if you have questions.

FREE Photo and Slide Scanning: Digitizing your family photos and slides can help preserve them and make it easy to share them with loved ones. Call to reserve a time with the scanner(s). A staff member will be present to help you get started. You will need to bring your photos or slides, along with your own flash drive to use for saving the digital photo files.

Scan to Email: Do you have to send important documents and don't want to fax them or send them through the postal service? You can scan them on our copy machine and email them for free. We'll be happy to help you!

Faxing: Some documents just have to be faxed. We can fax documents for you at \$1 per page. Just come to the Adult Services desk and ask us!

UCPOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Fall Piano Duet Concert: Thursday, October 6, at 6:30 p.m. Join us for another lively concert for one piano, four hands, featuring the library's own Zach Ott and retired librarian Gretchen Roltgen. Zach and Gretchen will be playing an eclectic mix of classical favorites and popular works; fun will be had by all! The concert will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 615 Broadway.

Home Cooking Comfort: Tuesday, November 1, at 6:30 p.m. Wisconsin food writer Jennifer Rude Klett, author of the new cookbook *Home Cooking Comfort: More Neighborly Advice & Recipes from the Farm Kitchen of a Midwestern Food Journalist*, will talk about Wisconsin foods such as cheese, apples, butter, oats, garlic, and cream, along with cooking and baking at home. This event will be held at the Baraboo Civic Center, 124 2nd Street.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Readers Anonymous Book Club is for readers in their 20s and 30s. This group reads and discusses books in a variety of genres, meeting on the third Wednesday of each month in fun locations around the area.

Book Discussion Groups....*Continued*

Tuesdays with Murder is for anyone who enjoys reading mysteries. The group generally chooses an author or a theme for each month, and everyone reads a pertinent book to share with the group. Tuesdays with Murder meets on the third Tuesday of each month, either in Room 12/14 at the Baraboo Civic Center, or outdoors during warm weather.

Lit Wits is a book discussion group for readers interested in exploring a variety of genres, including non-fiction, historical fiction, and family drama. They meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month in Room 12/14 of the Baraboo Civic Center, or outdoors during warm weather.

To register for any of the book groups, complete a one-time registration form on the library website to be included in the email list and receive meeting updates.

YOUTH LIBRARY PROGRAMS

“Stories in the Park” story time on Wednesdays from September 7 through November 2 at the main shelter of Ochsner Park from 10 a.m.—10:30 a.m. The program is for children from birth to 5 years of age.

Babygarten story time on Wednesdays, November 9 and 16 from 11 a.m.—11:30 a.m. at the Baraboo Civic Center Room 12/14. This program is for infants and children up to age 18 months and their caregivers to read, sing, and play.

Building Blocks on Wednesdays, September 7 through November 16 from 1:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. for children in grades 4k-5th grade. Come play with LEGO bricks! Minecraft is available for children in 1st-5th grades. This program will be in the Youth Services Department. Minecraft participants must bring their own library card.

Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club on Thursdays, September 1 through November 10 from 10 a.m.—10:45 a.m. for children in grades 3-7. Choose our group’s next adventure as we navigate through one CYOA book every meeting. We’ll read out loud and choose our journey as a group. Snacks and an activity are included. Prizes are available for explorers who attend every week. Program will be in the Youth Services Department

Seeking Sasquatch Friday, October 14 at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Groups with children are welcome at 5:30 p.m. Teens and adults are welcome at 7:30 p.m. TICKETS are REQUIRED for the event as ALL participants MUST RIDE the “Bigfoot Bus” from Pierce Park, 1100 Walnut Street. Tickets are available at the Youth Services Desk starting September 19. Ride the Bigfoot Bus to Devil’s Lake where our guide will take us on a search for the elusive Bigfoot. We’ll search for clues along a wide gravel trail using a variety of techniques, and after the hike, enjoy snacks and stories around the campfire. Program is co-sponsored by DNR/Devil’s Lake State Park.

14th Annual Turkey Bingo Monday, November 21 at 6 p.m. All ages are welcome. Join us at the Baraboo Civic Center Gym. Tickets are required for the event and can be picked up in advance at the library starting Monday, October 31. Bring your family and friends and play BINGO to win the fixings for a Thanksgiving dinner.

Countdown to Noon Year’s Eve Saturday, December 31—11 a.m. to noon. Ages 11 and under at the Baraboo Civic Center Gym. Tickets are required and can be picked up in advance at the library starting December 1. Celebrate the New Year early by playing games, making crafts, and at noon, celebrate the “Noon Year!”

Thank you to our following community partners and presenters for supporting the 2022 youth summer reading program: Cracker Barrel, Creek Bed Farmacy, Culver’s, Dells Boat Tours, Domino’s, Knuckleheads, Log Cabin, Mid-Continent Railway Museum, Original Wisconsin Ducks, Pizza Hut, Ripley’s Believe It or Not, Subway, Timber Falls Mini-Golf, Village Booksmith, Wizard Quest, Friends of the Carnegie-Schadde Memorial Public Library of Baraboo, Devil’s Lake & Mirror Lake State Parks, Walleye North America, Sauk County Dive Team, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Fisheries, Land Resources & Environment - Education Coordinator, Sauk County, White Mound County Parks, Sauk County Extension Office, HoChunk Nation, MSA Professional Services, Terrytown Plumbing, Interim Police Chief Rob Sinden, and State Rep. Dave Considine.

The Library **NOW** accepts credit/debit card payments (surcharge applies) for library fees and services.



Are You **READY** WISCONSIN?

✓ Get a Kit

✓ Make a Plan

✓ Be Informed

Winter Storms & Extreme Cold

Know the Terms

Freezing Rain

Rain that freezes when it hits the ground, creating a coating of ice on roads, walkways, trees, and power lines.

Sleet

Rain that turns to ice pellets before reaching the ground. Sleet also causes moisture on roads to freeze and become slippery.

Winter Storm Watch

A winter storm is possible in your area. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio All-Hazards, commercial radio, or television for more information.

Winter Storm Warning

A winter storm is occurring or will soon occur in your area.

Blizzard Warning

Sustained winds or frequent gusts to 35 miles per hour or greater and considerable amounts of falling or blowing snow (reducing visibility to less than a quarter mile) are expected to prevail for a period of three hours or longer.

Frost/Freeze Warning

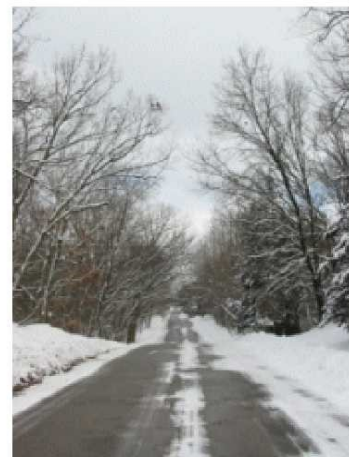
Below freezing temperatures are expected.

Frostbite

Damage to body tissue caused by extreme cold. A wind chill of -20° Fahrenheit could cause frostbite in just 15 minutes or less. Frostbite causes a loss of feeling and a white or pale appearance in extremities such as fingers, toes, ear tips or the tip of the nose. If symptoms are detected – Seek medical care immediately!

Hypothermia

A condition that develops when the body temperature drops below 95°F. It is very deadly. Warning signs include uncontrollable shivering, disorientation, slurred speech and drowsiness. Seek medical care immediately!



Prepare Your Home & Family

- ◆ Prepare for possible isolation in your home by having sufficient heating fuel. For example, store a good supply of dry, seasoned wood for your fireplace or wood-burning stove.
- ◆ Keep fire extinguishers on hand, and make sure everyone in your house knows how to use them.
- ◆ Learn how to shut off water valves (in case a pipe bursts).
- ◆ Know ahead of time what you should do to help elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or employees.

Prepare a Car Kit

- ◆ shovel & windshield scraper
- ◆ flashlight & extra batteries
- ◆ water & snack food
- ◆ matches
- ◆ blankets, extra hats, socks and mittens
- ◆ first aid kit with pocket knife
- ◆ booster cables & tow chain or rope
- ◆ sand or kitty litter
- ◆ emergency flares
- ◆ fluorescent distress flag

Wisconsin Emergency Management

<http://ready.wi.gov>

Phone: 608-242-3232 Fax: 608-242-3247

Winter Storms & Extreme Cold

Dress for the Weather

- ◆ Wear several layers of loose fitting, lightweight, warm clothing rather than one layer of heavy clothing. The outer garments should be tightly woven and water repellent.
- ◆ Wear mittens, which are warmer than gloves.
- ◆ Wear a hat.
- ◆ Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs.

During a Winter Storm

If You Are Driving

Drive only if it is absolutely necessary. If you must drive, consider the following:

- ◆ Travel in the day, don't travel alone, and keep others informed of your schedule.
- ◆ Stay on main roads; avoid back road shortcuts.
- ◆ If a blizzard traps you in the car:
 - ◇ Pull off the highway. Turn on hazard lights and hang a distress flag from the radio antenna or window.
 - ◇ Remain in your vehicle where rescuers are most likely to find you.
 - ◇ Run the engine and heater about 10 minutes each hour to keep warm. When the engine is running, open a downwind window slightly for ventilation and periodically clear snow from the exhaust pipe. This will protect you from possible carbon monoxide poisoning.
 - ◇ Exercise to maintain body heat, but avoid overexertion. In extreme cold, use road maps, seat covers, and floor mats for insulation. Huddle with passengers and use your coat for a blanket.
 - ◇ Take turns sleeping. One person should be awake at all times to look for rescue crews.
 - ◇ Drink fluids to avoid dehydration.

- ◇ Be careful not to waste battery power. Balance electrical energy needs - the use of lights, heat, and radio - with supply.
- ◇ Turn on the inside light at night so work crews or rescuers can see you.
- ◇ If stranded in a remote area, stomp large block letters in an open area spelling out HELP or SOS and line with rocks or tree limbs to attract the attention of rescue personnel who may be surveying the area by airplane.
- ◇ Leave the car and proceed on foot - if necessary - once the blizzard passes.

If You Are Outdoors

- ◆ Overexertion is dangerous. Cold weather puts an added strain on the heart. Unaccustomed exercise such as shoveling snow or pushing a car can bring on a heart attack or make an existing medical condition worse.
- ◆ Cover your mouth. Protect your lungs from extremely cold air by covering your mouth when outdoors. Try not to speak unless absolutely necessary.
- ◆ Keep dry. Change wet clothing frequently to prevent a loss of body heat. Wet clothing loses all of its insulating value and transmits heat rapidly.
- ◆ If symptoms of hypothermia are detected:
 - ◇ get the victim to a warm location
 - ◇ remove wet clothing
 - ◇ put the person in dry clothing and wrap their entire body in a blanket
 - ◇ warm the center of the body first
 - ◇ give warm, non-alcoholic or non-caffeinated beverages if the victim is conscious
 - ◇ get medical help as soon as possible.

Ochsner Park Zoo News

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department manages the 3-acre zoo in Ochsner Park. There are over 25 animal species and our staff and volunteers offer many opportunities to learn more about our animals.

Admission is **FREE** every day!

Fall hours: September 5—October 30 (9 a.m.—5 p.m.)

Winter hours: October 31—March 31 (9 a.m.—4 p.m.)

The zoo is open 7 days a week and hosts several special events during the year—follow our Facebook page for updated events and activities.

Construction was completed this year on the new llama, donkey, and wolf buildings as well as a new cooling shelter for the snowy owls and some new interior fencing in the zoo. The zoo also has a new security camera system, thanks to some very generous donors. Donations are always appreciated at the zoo in the donation boxes or made to the Friends of the Baraboo Zoo through their Facebook page or various annual events. Our Stories with Santa event returns this December and we will also have another Halloween event in late October, so make sure to follow our page for details.

Visit this fall/winter to see our emu, dwarf goats, beaver, otters, bear, deer, eagle, owls, prairie dogs, lynx, monkeys, fox, opossum, skunk, llama, miniature donkey, wolves, cranes, geese, ducks, pigs, tortoise, and more!

Join the other 40,000 visitors every year that have rated the Ochsner Park Zoo as one of the top destinations in Baraboo for the past 12 years in a row!

Another successful year at Campbell Park Swimming Pool

The end of summer marks the end of yet another successful pool season. Thanks to everyone who attended and to our great staff of lifeguards for making the season so fun. Special thanks to the talented team in our maintenance department for keeping the 84-year-old facility open, as the aging infrastructure continues to create challenges and major equipment failures were experienced again this summer. (*Swimming pools in the Midwest are built for about a 50-year life expectancy—ours is over 30 years past normal lifespan*)

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department began discussing the need to address the aging pool in 2014, and in 2018 was given money to complete a professional study on the pool, which determined that in order to continue to offer swimming in Campbell Park, major renovations needed to happen within five to seven years.

We are currently working with residents and the Parks Commission to develop a Master Plan for all of Campbell Park, including swimming pool improvements and renovations, the Skatepark, tennis/pickleball courts, parking, and playgrounds.

Regardless of the outcome of the Master Plan, we hope you visit us at the Campbell Park swimming pool next summer. We are always looking for new lifeguards, so watch for announcements next spring as we prepare for another great summer at the pool!

WINTER WATER TIPS—Following are a few ideas to prevent winter water problems:

Periodically go in your basement to check the air temperature. If you can see your breath, your basement is too cold and you need to provide auxiliary heat. If an exposed pipe freezes, it can be thawed with a hair dryer. We advise homeowners to **not** use propane torches as they could be a fire hazard or melt the solder in the pipes, creating a worse problem. If the water meter has frozen, please call us at 355-2740. For areas where an additional heat source cannot be placed, heat tape can be used. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for installation.

Sinks that are on an outside wall, may require leaving the cabinet doors open so that heat circulates. Be patient with these methods, it may take a while to thaw the pipes. Once they begin to flow/thaw, keep the water flowing to prevent them from re-freezing. When all else fails, call your plumber.

The Water Utility has a list of properties that are prone to services freezing. The Utility will contact you and modify one of your water closets so that water will run continually. If the Utility does this, your bill will be adjusted to be your normal usage amount. If you do it on your own, you will have to pay for all water used.

Water Utility policy is that the Utility will thaw the frozen service once. If the service freezes again, it will be the homeowner's responsibility.

Sauk County Clean Sweep

Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Old Sauk County Landfill

E8795 Evergreen Lane, Baraboo



Dispose of household hazardous waste safely.

Items accepted for **no charge** include: pesticides, cleaners, oil-based paint, batteries, light bulbs, and a wide variety of electronics.

For more information call 608-355-3245 or email conservation@saukcountywi.gov



If you are or recently were ill, please stay home.

Stay in your vehicle at all times while at Clean Sweep. Event staff will unload items at each station.

In an effort to minimize close contact, items located in the cab or passenger seats of vehicles will not be accepted. Please make sure ALL items are loaded in the rear of vehicle, trunk, truck bed, or trailer to be unloaded by the event staff.

ALL electronic items need to be cleaned/wiped down before they are brought to the event, electronic items that are not cleaned/wiped down may not be accepted.

Latex paint is not accepted at Sauk County Clean Sweep events.



Fees for Tires

Car and light truck tires	\$6
Car and light truck w/rims	\$8
Ag and Semi tires	\$13
Ag and Semi tires w/ rims	\$25
<13" tires	\$2
<13" w/rims	\$4

Payment for tires can be made in CASH or CHECK payable to Sauk County Treasurer.

What is **NOT ACCEPTED**:

- Latex Paint
- Used motor oil
- Pharmaceuticals, IVs, needles
- Explosives, detonators, blasting caps
- Radioactive materials including smoke alarms
- Infectious and biological waste
- Compressed gas cylinders
- Recyclables, yard and household waste
- Asbestos
- Demolition Materials
- Mattresses

Small businesses **MUST pre-register for Paint & Chemicals with Veolia at least 1 week prior.** Please contact Zach Davis at (262) 253-3504.

Agricultural producers should contact Sauk County directly at (608) 355-4842.

No Late registration will be accepted

Resource Solutions will accept the following items at Clean Sweep:

** Please remove all batteries from electronics*

No Charge: CPUs, Computer Printers, Speakers, Scanners, Fax Machines, Vacuum Cleaners, Phones, Laptops, Record Players, Tape Players, CD Players, iPods, VCRs, DVD Players, Beta Tape Players, Electric Saws, Drills, Calculators, Paper Shredders, Coffee Machines, Heaters, Game Systems, Sewing Machines, Electronic Toys, Most Household electrical items.

\$10 - Hard Drive Removal and Destruction

\$15 - Microwaves & Large Copy Machines

\$20 - Small AC Units, mini fridges, dehumidifiers

\$25 - Stoves, washers, dryers, dishwashers, treadmills, lawn mowers (oil/gas drained, tires removed)

\$35 - Refrigerators & Large Freezers

\$20 - All monitors, CRT & Flat Screen

\$20 - CRT/Flat Screen TVs 29" and under

\$40 - CRT/Flat Screen TVs 30"-49"

\$60 - CRT/Flat Screen TVs 50" and up, projection, wooden console

Payment for electronics can be made in CASH, CREDIT, or CHECK payable to Resource Solutions at the event.

Contact Resource Solutions at (608) 244-5451 regarding electronic items not included on the list above.

Sauk County has reduced the frequency of Clean Sweep to once per year, in September.

If in the meantime if you have items to dispose of, you can safely dispose household hazardous waste through a cooperative program between Dane County and Sauk County. Vouchers are available from the Sauk County Land Resources and Environment Department which allow access to the Dane County Clean Sweep site, just southeast of Madison, for \$10.00. Limit of one voucher per resident each year.

For program details, call 355-3245 or visit www.co.sauk.wi.us/landconservation/ for a full list of other recycling and disposal options.